



2011 AUDI MELGES 20 MIAMI WINTER SERIES

Miami, Fla. USA (Biscayne Bay)

Hosted by Coconut Grove Sailing Club and Shake-A-Leg Miami
Supported by Melges Performance Sailboats

Event No. 1: December 10-12, 2010

Event No. 2: February 11-13, 2011

Event No. 3: March 09-12, 2011 (Bacardi Miami Sailing Week)

NOTICE OF REGATTA SERIES : EVENT NO. 1 & 2

(A separate NOR will be issued for Event No. 3 as part of the Bacardi Miami Sailing Week)

1. VENUE | AUTHORITY

- 1.1 The Coconut Grove Sailing Club, in conjunction with the Audi Melges 20 Class Association (AM20CA), invites all members and associates of the AM20CA to participate in the inaugural Audi Melges 20 Miami Winter Series. The AM20CA is the Organizing Authority and the Coconut Grove Sailing Club is the host.
- 1.2 For Series Events No. 1 and No. 2, on-shore functions (except for the trophy presentation, trailer storage and launching), will be at the Coconut Grove Sailing Club (CGSC) located at 2990 S. Bayshore Dr., Coconut Grove, Fla. 33133, Phone: 305) 444-4571, website: www.cgsc.org
- 1.3 Series Event No. 3 will be in conjunction with the Bacardi Miami Sailing Week. On-shore functions will be split between CGSC and the Bacardi Miami Sailing Week venue. Specific details will be part of the Event No. 3's NOR and posted online at the official website of Bacardi Miami Sailing Week - www.miamisailingweek.com.

There will be a separate entry form and fee for Series Event No. 3. This information can be found on the Bacardi Miami Sailing Week website.

For Bacardi Miami Sailing Week information: www.miamisailingweek.com.

- 1.4 All boats must be in the water by 1700 on the day before racing begins.
- 1.5 In the water dockage and moorage during the three regattas will be at Coconut Grove Sailing Club with any overflow at Shake-A-Leg. Once the dock and mooring space is full at CGSC, all other boats will dock at Shake-A-Leg.

The Coconut Grove Sailing Club launch service to its moorings operates 24 hours per day. Dock Office monitors VHF 78.

- 1.5 Trailer storage and boat launching facilities shall be at the Shake-A-Leg Miami facility located at 2620 S. Bayshore Dr., Coconut Grove, Fla. 33133 Phone: (305) 858-5550 (Shake-A-Leg Miami is 1/2 mile from the Coconut Grove Sailing Club).

Each boat owner shall complete a Shake-A-Leg Miami Storage application and send it to Shake-A-Leg Miami along with the required fee as directed on the application. Shake-A-Leg Miami is a recognized charitable corporation.

The Shake-A-Leg Miami storage application will be posted on the Audi Melges 20 Website.

- 1.6 Websites:
Audi Melges 20 Class Association: www.melges20.com
Coconut Grove Sailing Club: www.cgsc.org
Bacardi Miami Sailing Week: www.miamisailingweek.com

2. RULES

- 2.1 The Regattas will be governed by the "rules" as defined in the Current Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 2.2 The following Prescriptions of US Sailing will apply: Rules 61.4, 68, 76.1, 76.3 and Appendix F only.
- 2.3 Advertising in Event No. 1 and Event No. 2 - permitted according to AM20CA Rules. The Organizing Authority may require all participating boats to display sponsor flags and/or stickers.
- 2.4 All competing boats shall carry a hand held VHF radio for safety purposes and Race Committee communication.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 The Miami Winter Series is open to all boats of the Audi Melges 20 Class Association.
- 3.2 All boat owners and alternate helmsmen must be in compliance with Class Rule C.2.4.
- 3.3 All competitors shall be in compliance with the ISAF Eligibility Rules, ISAF Sailor Classification Code and Melges 20 Class Rules. As per Class Rule C.2.5., IM20CA delegates to a Classification Code Committee, the authority in determining a helmsman's approval within the spirit of the Class Rules.
- 3.4 **Entering the Series:**
Boats shall enter Event No. 1 and No. 2 by going to the Audi Melges 20 website and completing the Miami Winter Series Entry Form, including the fees section.
Boats shall enter Event No. 3 by going to the Bacardi Miami Sailing Week website, completing the entry form and paying the fees.
- 3.5 Entry Deadlines: (also see Sections 4.1 and 4.2 below)
Event No. 1: Entries and fees must be received no later than December 1, 2010.
Event No. 2: Entries and fees must be received no later than February 1, 2011.
Event No. 3: See Bacardi Miami Sailing Week entry form.
Late entries will only be accepted with the approval of the Regatta Chairman.

- 3.6 On Site Registration: Registration, including presenting Proof of Insurance and the required Class Forms to the registration staff, shall be completed by 1730 on the day prior to the start of racing.

The required AM20CA forms are:

- Approved Helmsman Application Form, per Audi Melges 20 Class Rules (Appendix 8)
- Sail Declaration Form, per Melges 20 Class Rules (Appendix 2)

4. ENTRY FEES

- 4.1 The Entry Fee for Event No. 1 is \$225. The Entry Fee for Event No. 2 is \$225.
- 4.2 The entry fee for Event No. 3 shall be as per the Bacardi Miami Sailing Week entry form.

Note: The Entry Fees for Event No. 1 and No. 2 include appetizers for skippers and crews served in conjunction with the Skippers' Meeting for each regatta and for appetizers for skippers and crews each Saturday after racing.

5. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Event No. 1: December 10-12, 2010 and,

Event No. 2: February 11-13, 2011

Friday:

Launching for all boats: 0900 to 1700, Shake-A-Leg Miami (S-A-L); Moor at Coconut Grove Sailing Club (CGSC)

Registration: 1500 to 1730 (CGSC)

Skippers Meeting and social gathering with appetizers: 1800 (CGSC)

Saturday (both events):

Racing: First Warning - 1100

After Racing: Social gathering with appetizers (CGSC)

Sunday:

Racing: Event No. 1: First Warning - 1000

Event No. 2: First Warning - 1100

No warning signal shall occur after 1400

Awards: ASAP after racing concludes, (Shake-A-Leg Miami)

Event No. 3: March 9-12, 2011

Series Event No. 3 will be sailed as part of Bacardi Miami Sailing Week. The final schedule will follow in the Event No. 3 NOR and will be posted on the Bacardi Miami Sailing Week website.

6. MEASUREMENTS

- 6.1 All competitors shall conform to Class measurement rules.

7. HAUL-OUT AND MOORAGE RESTRICTIONS

- 7.1 All boats must be launched by 1700 on the day prior to the start of racing of each regatta.
- 7.2 All boats shall remain in the water until the end of racing, unless granted prior written permission by the Principle Race Officer.

8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 8.1 The Sailing instructions for all races will be distributed at registration for each Regatta of the series. Every attempt will be made to post them on the Audi Melges 20 website prior to the first race of the Series.

9. COURSES

- 9.1 The race courses will be Windward–Leeward.

10. RACES / SCORING

- 10.1 For Events No. 1 and No. 2 of the Series, up to six races may be sailed.
- 10.2 Two (2) races must be completed for a regatta to be scored as part of the 2011 Audi Melges 20 Miami Winter Series.
- 10.3 When fewer than five (5) races have been completed in a regatta, a boat's regatta score will be the total of her race scores. When five or more races have been completed, a boat's regatta score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 10.4 All boats entering a 2011 Audi Melges 20 Miami Winter Series regatta are eligible to be scored in the Series. Place scores from each individual regatta of the series will be used with a Low Point Scoring System (1st Place = 1 point, 2nd Place = 2 points, 3rd Place = 3 points, etc.). The boat with the lowest score will be declared the winner of the 2011 Audi Melges 20 Miami Winter Series.

11. PRIZES

- 11.1 For each individual regatta in the series, the top three boats will receive prizes.
- 11.2 For the Audi Melges 20 Miami Winter Series, the top five boats will receive prizes.

12. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 12.1 The safety of a boat and her entire management shall be the sole inescapable responsibility of the owner/owners' representative. Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this Series are participating entirely at their own risk. The race organizers (Organizing Authority, Race Committee, Protest Committee, host club, sponsors, or any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of participation in this Series. By participating in this Series, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this Series to the fullest extent permitted by law.

13. MANDATORY INSURANCE

- 13.1 Each boat is required to hold adequate insurance including third-party liability insurance, and it is the owner or owners' representative's sole and inescapable responsibility to ensure that the insurance is in place and is adequate prior to participating in this event. Proof of insurance shall be provided as part of the on-site registration.

14. SUPPORT BOATS

- 14.1 Support boats shall register with the Registration staff prior to the Skippers Meeting for each Regatta. All support boats are required to monitor the prescribed VHF channel during the regattas.

15.0 LUNCHES

- 15.1 Lunches for race days may be purchased from CGSC on the Entry Form or at the first day of Registration for each regatta. For further information, contact Ron Rostorfer, CGSC at: ronsailon@comcast.net.

16. SERIES CLOTHING

See www.melges20.com for details.

17. AMENDMENTS TO THIS NOTICE

- 17.1 The Organizing Authority reserves the right to amend this Notice. Any amendments of this Notice will be posted on the event website and/or e-mailed to those owners whose entries have been accepted. Amendments will be posted on the official notice board.

18. WEBSITE / INFORMATION

- 18.1 The Audi Melges 20 Class website (www.melges20.com) will have information, the Notice of Race, Entry Forms, Sailing Instructions, local housing information for Miami, visiting boat and trailer storage details (Shake-A-Leg Miami), Coconut Grove Sailing Club information, and more.
- 18.2 Additional information concerning the venue can be obtained on the Coconut Grove Sailing Club website (www.cgsc.org).
- 18.3 Further information regarding the 2010/2011 Audi Melges 20 Miami Winter Series may also be obtained from:

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Phone: 262-275-1110
harry@melges.com

OR **Ron Rostorfer, CGSC**
Audi Melges 20 Regatta Chair
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Hotel Information

There are a number of nearby hotels. Please check the Audi Melges 20 Class website (www.melges20.com) for hotel information as it becomes available.